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SUBJ: PRESIDENT NIMEIRI'S VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES

1. DURING MY LENGTHY CONVERSATION WITH PRESIDENT NIMEIRI JULY 11, I ASKED HIM IF HE HAD YET SET THE DATE FOR HIS VISIT TO NEW YORK TO ATTEND UNGA IN HIS CAPACITY AS CHAIRMAN OF THE OAU. PRESIDENT SAID HE DID NOT INTEND TO FIX DATES UNTIL AFTER CONCLUSION OF OAU SUMMIT.
 2. PRESIDENT SAID HE WAS PLANNING EXTENDED TOUR OF THE UNITED STATES AFTER HIS APPEARANCE IN NEW YORK. HE PLANNED TO SPEND A COUPLE OF DAYS IN WASHINGTON AND THEN TO VISIT THE FOLLOWING STATES: CALIFORNIA ("WHERE I WANT TO SEE MY GOOD FRIENDS IN CHEVRON"), NORTH DAKOTA, TENNESSEE, WISCONSIN, KANSAS, AND, HE ADDED, "WHAT'S THAT STATE THAT LOOKS JUST LIKE KHARTOUM?" "ARIZONA?", I VENTURED. "THAT'S RIGHT, ARIZONA," HE REPLIED.
 3. PRESIDENT SAID HE WOULD BE SENDING MINSTATE FOR FONAFF (AND FORMER AMBASSADOR TO WASHINGTON) FRANCIS DENG AS HIS ADVANCE MAN TO FINALIZE THE ARRANGEMENTS.
(COMMENT: I KNOW THAT FRANCIS WANTS TO GET TO THE U.S. AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER THE SUMMIT. HIS WIFE IS
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ALREADY THERE AND THEIR THIRD CHILD SHOULD BE ARRIVING FAIRLY SOON.)

4. I WILL BE VACATIONING AT OUR NEW JERSEY HOUSE DURING PROBABLE PERIOD OF NIMEIRI VISITS TO NEW YORK AND WASHINGTON. IT IS A HOP, SKIP, AND A JUMP FOR ME TO GET TO EITHER NEW YORK OR WASHINGTON. I WOULD LIKE

TO PARTICIPATE IN THESE VISITS, AND I AM AVAILABLE TO
ASSIST WITH THE PLANNING.

5. I THINK WE MIGHT PASS THE WORD TO THE U.S.-SUDAN
BUSINESS COUNCIL THAT THEY MIGHT WISH TO HOST A DINNER
FOR NIMEIRI DURING HIS VISIT TO THE U.S.
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